## **Amendments to the Specification**

Replace the paragraph on page 5, lines 18 to 25 with the following amended paragraph

Figs. 1 to 3 schematically show the construction of a reagent sampling mechanism 1, a reagent bottle 3, and a stripper 2. Those components are arranged so as to lie on a straight line. The reagent sampling mechanism 1 sucks a reagent from the reagent bottle 3 having a plurality of openings 3A placed on a reagent disk 4, carries the sucked reagent to the position of a reaction disk 5, and then delivers the reagent into a reaction cell 9 which contains a sample to be measured by measuring means such as a photometer 9A.